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PURELY SOCIAL VISIT

McKinley's Chicago Trip of No Political Significance.

TO BE GONE ONLY A FEW DAYS

He Will Not Accept Invitations to Formal Social Functions or Deliver Speeches — Will Return with Mrs. McKinley.

Canton, O., Dec. 15.—Major McKinley says his visit to Chicago the latter part of this week has no political significance, and that he arranged the proposed trip solely for a few days' rest and to accompany Mrs. McKinley on her return to Canton. He will probably leave on the journey Thursday night, and remain in Chicago until Monday or Tuesday of next week. He says he is not going to Chicago to accept invitations to formal social functions or to make speeches, but to rest quietly among his personal friends and relatives. He will not expect to meet all of his political supporters during the short time he is in Chicago, and feels that his desire for rest and quiet will be respected. Although the visit is said to be a social one, it is possible that a number of important conferences will take place during his stay there. Among Major McKinley's callers last evening was John M. Carson of Washington, who was chief clerk of the house committee on ways and means when the president-elect was chairman. The cabinet forecasters have been idle for the past day or two and no new names appear on their slates.

Mrs. McKinley Still Fatigued.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Wm. McKinley, wife of the president-elect, who is a visitor at the McWilliams home, is gradually recovering from the fatigue of the campaign, but she is not able to go out except for short drives. There have been no callers except members of the family and relatives. It is expected that Maj. McKinley will make a flying trip at the end of the week to take his wife home to Canton.

CHOATE IS A CANDIDATE.

Why He Is Willing To Enter the Race for the New York Senatorship.

New York, Dec. 15.—Hon. Joseph H. Choate announces his candidacy for the United States senate in the following letter, addressed to W. D. Guthrie: "You have handed me a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Union League club of the city of New York, and have asked me to declare whether I would be a candidate for the position of United States senator, in accordance with these resolutions. In view of the present political conditions in this state I have no hesitation in saying that I will be a candidate, and if elected will try to serve the people of the state and the nation to the best of my ability. I am deeply grateful for the compliment paid me by the Union League club, foremost as it has ever been among organizations devoted to the success of the republican party, for whose candidates I have voted from the beginning and whose principles I have always believed. To that party the country must look now as it ever has for national safety and prosperity and the preservation of the constitution. Yours very truly,

"JOSEPH H. CHOATE."

Miss Collins Body Sent Home.

Boston, Dec. 15.—The body of Miss Mary A. Collins, the free thinker lecturer, who was found asphyxiated in a room here Saturday with Samuel P. Putnam, the well known free thinker of Chicago, has been sent to Midway, Ky., her former home. The medical examiner's certificate stated that the deaths of Miss Collins and Mr. Putnam were due to accidental poisoning by gas, and no suspicion of suicide is entertained by competent judges. A memorial service for Miss Collins will be held by the free thinkers in Paine hall one week from next Sunday, the day on which she was to speak there. No autopsy was held in the case.

Will of the Late Thomas Hodgson.

Buffalo, Dec. 15.—The will of the late Thomas Hodgson, for a number of years general sales agent of the Pennsylvania Coal company, provides for a bequest of $500 per year to be paid to Mary A. Hodgson of Brooklyn, N. Y., a sister of Mr. Hodgson. The balance of the estate, consisting of personal property valued at $50,000, is left to his widow, Mrs. Emma Hodgson, whose residence is given as the Westminster hotel, New York city.

Death of George L. Catlin.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 15.—George L. Catlin, who died at St. Luke's hospital, New York, yesterday, lived in this city, and was for sixteen years consul at Zurich, Switzerland. He was the author of many well known poems and sketches.

Slavin Must Stand Trial.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 15.—Frank P. Slavin, who last Friday assaulted Dr. John Dougherty during a quarrel, was last night held in $100 bail for the grand jury. Dougherty wanted to withdraw the charge, but Justice Mayfeld refused to permit a compromise.

INTERNATIONAL BIMETALLISM.

Republican Senators Discuss the Subject—Wolcott Says All Favor the Plan.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Discussing the work of the caucus committee of which he is chairman, Senator Wolcott last evening said: "The republican senate caucus committee to report legislation in furtherance of an international bimetallic conference had a full meeting to-day, and the subject was discussed at some length. The subject was carefully considered with a view to so framing legislation that the incoming president will be at liberty to act immediately upon his inauguration and without waiting for further legislative action. There are thousands of republican in the west and in the great middle states, who believe the financial plank in the St. Louis platform to be a sacred pledge committing the party to an earnest effort to secure international bimetallism. So far as I can observe, the sentiment is practically unanimous among republican senators in favor of an earnest and steadfast effort towards international agreement. I do not anticipate any serious trouble in the way of securing such legislation as has been outlined and which will prepare the way for this effort. So far as I can learn, there is no opposition on the part of either democrats or populists to some such legislation as has been proposed."

MURDERED HIS FATHER.

Shocking Deed of a Boy Believed To Be Religious-Crazed.

South Vineland, N. J., Dec. 15.—Antonio Jeroio, aged 65 years, was brutally murdered by his son, Tony, yesterday. The Jeroio family was composed of old man Jereio, and four sons, Antonio, Nicholas, Louis and Charles. Three weeks ago Nicholas died and since that time the family has been acting very strangely. About two weeks ago the two younger boys were arrested for disturbing the peace by continually praying around the Catholic churches. Saturday last they brutally attacked their father and drove him from the house. He returned yesterday and was again attacked. He fled across the fields closely pursued by Antonio, who overtook him and hit him over the head with a cordwood stick, felling him to the ground and killing him instantly. The only cause for the crime is that Antonio, being crazed with grief over the loss of his brother, committed the horrible murder as a sacrifice, as he claimed such a sacrifice would restore the lost relative. He admits the killing.

PROUTY'S APPOINTMENT.

The Vermont Man Was Highly Recommended to the President.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Charles L. Prouty of Vermont, nominated to be interstate commerce commissioner, vice Veazy, resigned, was first suggested to the president by Senator Proctor of Vermont, who is a personal friend of the nominee. Mr. Prouty is 42 or 43 years of age, and said by his acquaintances to be second to no man in the state as a lawyer. He lives in Newport. Mr. Prouty is a graduate of Dartmouth and led his class. Governor-elect Black of New York who was a classmate of the nominee, Representative Grout and Senator Morrill of Vermont also endorsed the selection and ex-Senator Edmunds and ex-minister to Great Britain E. J. Phelps filed personal letters with the president endorsing Mr. Prouty in a cordial manner.

Hollidaysburg Bank Failure.

Hollidaysburg, Pa., Dec. 15.—The excitement over the closing of the First National bank has been intensified by the reception of the news that the Martinsburg Deposit bank of Martinsburg and the Williamsburg bank of Williamsburg have also suspended business. These two banks were branches of the First National bank and were incorporated.

Fourth-class Postmasters.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The following fourth-class postmasters have just been appointed, Connecticut—S. M. Latham, Phoenixville. New York—J. C. Minturn, Bellvale; Miss M. J. Hough, Henderson. Pennsylvania—W. G. Keck, Kecksburg; H. S. Crownover, Saulsburg.

U. S. Supreme Court Holiday Recess.

Washington, Dec. 15.—On Monday next the supreme court of the United States will take a recess until the first Monday in January.

The Stamford Postmastership.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 15.—Republicans at Stamford, Conn., have begun to circulate a petition to Major McKinley for the reappointment of John H. Swartwout as postmaster. Mr. Swartwout before his appointment was secretary of the democratic state committee, and acted with the gold standard democrats in the last presidential campaign.

For the Brussels Exhibition.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The secretary of the treasury has transmitted to congress an estimate of an additional appropriation of $30,000 for the international exhibition to be held in Brussels next year.

WORK IN CONGRESS

Vote on Immigration Bill To Be Taken Thursday.

CUBAN AND TURKISH RESOLUTIONS

Senator Peffer Wants a Committee Appointed to Study Finance in Relation to Business—Miscellaneous Matters in the House.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The reported assassination of the Cuban general, Antonio Maceo, while under a flag of truce, was the text of a resolution offered in the senate by Mr. Call, dem. Fla., and referred to the committee on foreign relations. The resolution characterized the affair as a violation of the rules of civilized warfare and as a cowardly act of treachery. It declared the government which authorized and permitted it, or failed to punish the assassin, "an outcast from the family of nations, and from the pale of civilization and public law." The committee on foreign relations is instructed to inquire into the facts and report to the senate at an early day. Another resolution of Mr. Call's, which was similarly referred, requests the president of the United States to demand the release of all United States citizens held by the Spanish government as prisoners in Cuba. A war blast was also blown against Turkey in the shape of resolutions passed by a church congregation in New Hampshire, presented and approved by Senator Gallinger of that state, declaring that the Armenian outrages should be suppressed by the civilized powers, at the cost, if necessary, of the dismemberment of the Turkish empire. A resolution was offerred by Mr. Peffer, pop., Kan., and laid on the table for the present for the appointment of a commission of five (one from each of the four parties—republican, democratic, national democratic and populist—and one other to be chosen by these four) to examine and study the general subject of finance in reference to its practical relations to business. A resolution offered last week by Mr. Allen, pop., Neb., denying the constitutional power of any state to impair the obligation of contracts, was taken up and made the basis of a speech by him, in which he defended the populist governor and legislature of Nebraska from all imputations of an intention to enact legislation hostile to capital, and declared that all such fears were groundless. He especially disclaimed all purpose to act in hostility to railroad companies. In the course of his speech he severely criticized a charge made by Senator Hoar of Massachusetts in a recent speech in Boston, as to the state of Nebraska having, in voting for Bryan and free silver, "engaged in a crazy attempt at revolution and a passionate attempt at dishonor." Such a statement, Mr. Allen declared, was "unwarranted, dishonest and ungracious." Mr. Hoar explained and justified his language and applied to the resolution the terms "puerile and trifling." Mr. Platt, rep., Conn., also referred to it as "clap-trap." It was referred to the judiciary committee. The immigration bill was taken up and went over under an agreement that a vote shall be taken on its passage at 4 p. m. Thursday. The resolution of the house for the holiday recess was referred to the committee on appropriations. The senate then took up and passed all the pension bills on the calendar, fifty-five.

House of Representatives.

Miscellaneous business will probably occupy the attention of the house until Thursday when District of Columbia bills will be taken up, their consideration having been postponed until that date. By a vote of yeas 98, noes 85, the house refused to pass over the president's veto a bill granting a pension to the divorced wife of Lowell Taft of the Eighteenth regiment, Connecticut Volunteer infantry, who died of alcoholism in a soldiers' home. A joint resolution was passed providing for a holiday recess from December 22 to January 5.

Believes a Murdered Man Was Her Son.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Mary E. Hesser of this city believes that the Edward Nutter whom George Erb, now incarcerated at Harrisburg, Pa., confessed to having killed at Fort Smith, Ark., is her son. She is endeavoring to get particulars of the murder from the Fort Smith authorities. Edward Nutter, a son of Mrs. Hesser by a former marriage, was a traveling salesman for a Newark, N. J., cigar manufacturing firm.

Army Appropriation Bill.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The army appropriation bill as reported to the house carries an appropriation of $23,126,344, which is about $766,000 less than the estimates of the secretary of war and $158,000 below the appropriation for the present year.

The Bayards Christmas Holidays.

London, Dec. 15.—Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, United States ambassador, and Mrs. Bayard will be the guests of Lord Middleton at Birdsall house, Yorkshire, during the Christmas holidays.

FOR CUBA'S FREEDOM

Important and Material Move Just Made in New York.

A POWERFUL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

Ex-Gov. Flower, Chauncey Depew, Hon. George Hoadley, Charles A. Dana, Gen. Butterfield and Many Others Among the Organizers.

New York, Dec. 15.—The first step towards helping Cuba in the fight with Spain, and the first material evidence of aid from the citizens of this city to the cause of the little island were taken last night in the Fifth Avenue hotel, when the "Cuban league of the United States of America" was formally organized. The men behind this movement are so well known and carry so much weight that it is beyond a doubt that this is the beginning of a movement that will take no small part in the history of both countries—having, as it does, the complete independence of Cuba from Spain for its principal object. No time was lost in jingo speeches. The meeting quickly organized with Col. Ethan Allen as president and the following vice-presidents: Charles A. Dana, Roswell P. Flower, Thomas L. James, Chauncey M. Depew, John R. Dos Passos, Theodore Roosevelt, Thomas F. Gilroy, George Hoadly, J. Edward Simmons and C. H. Dennison. Francis Wayland Glen was elected secretary; Darwin R. James, treasurer, and the executive committee is composed of John Jacob Astor, Paul Dana, Gen. Daniel Butterfield, Frederick D. Grant and Walter Logan. The call for the meeting declares it to be the object of the league to secure for Cuba by all lawful, peaceful and honorable means the political independence which her patriots are now endeavoring, by tremendous sacrifice of treasure and life, to gain; to encourage them with our sympathy and moral support, and to arouse the whole nation to demand an end of the campaign of murder and destruction in that island. The help our fathers received in a similar struggle more than a century ago is recalled, and, constrained by a sense of gratitude, it is the desire to return to Cuba the kindness which was so effectively given to us when in need. Closing, the call says it is apparent to all that Spain has not the power to crush the patriots, and this republic has the power to end the cruel struggle, and that it is in honor called upon to do so for the highest good of all the parties directly concerned. After the formation of the league it was decided to hold a monster mass-meeting in Cooper union next Monday night, when Senator Morgan of the foreign relations committee and Congressman Hitt of the same committee of the house, Congressman Reed of Maine and Senator Cullom of Illinois will speak. Col. Allen predicted that the movement thus started would become historic.

MANY WANT TO ENLIST.

Cuban Junta Overrun with Men Anxious To Aid the Patriots.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Cuban junta in New street has had more callers during the past two days than for a similar time since its establishment. Strong-limbed Americans to the number of between 700 and 800—nearly enough to constitute a regiment—trumped up-stairs, threw out their chests and in resolute tones asked that the be enlisted in the army of Cuba. Not one of them were accepted. The laws of the United States prohibit the enlistment of men here for foreign armies. The men who want to fight in the cause for which Maceo died are and have been so numerous lately that the Cuban leaders here now issue to applicants by letter a printed form declining the services of the sympathizers. Delegate Palma has received over a score of telegrams from Jacksonville, Key West, Tampa, Dallas, Tex.; Paris, France; Hayti and different points in Mexico, stating that meetings were being held for the discussion of the Cuban question, and asking for intelligence regarding Maceo's alleged death. The Cuban junta had not yet received from their southern agents or from Havana the complete list of the names of those of Gen. Maceo's staff who were killed with their chief. Neither have they any record of those Americans who are supposed to have been with the insurgent general. Some of the gallant little band that fell with Maceo are supposed to have been from California, but the junta cannot confirm that report. One thing is certain, a part of the staff, which consisted of sixteen men, were recruited in this city. Dr. J. D. Castillo said to a reporter this morning that he could not remember the names of the men who were from this city and who eventually became Maceo's confidants in the struggle for Cuban victory.

Wrecked Along Newfoundland Coast.

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 15.—Last week's storm caused great devastation along the northern coast. Seven vessels were driven ashore and wrecked. No lives were lost.

SPAIN WILL PROTECT HER.

Laurada May Enter Valencia, But Officials Hope She Will Avoid Spanish Ports.

Madrid, Dec. 15.—Admiral Beranger, minister of marine, states that the maritime commander at Vanlencia has been ordered to receive the American steamer Laurada precisely as he would any other merchant vessel entering that port, and to furnish her with every facility for the continuation of her voyage. Should she need supplies the marine authorities will furnish them, if private persons refuse to do so. The admiral hopes, however, that the Laurada will avoid Spain, as her presence at Valencia might cause disorders, with a view of preventing which the cruiser Maria Teresa and the gunboat Vulcana are anchored off that place.

MACE AND DONOVAN MEET.

Many Well-Known Pugilists Watch the Old-Timers Box.

New York, Dec. 15.—About 2,500 people attended the Mace-Donovan benefit at the Broadway Athletic club last night. In addition to the ex-heavyweight champion of the world and the one time American middle-weight champion, a host of other by-gone stars were in evidence. The science of the present day was represented by James J. Corbett. Among the spectators were men well-known in the higher walks of life, who were present to show their appreciation of sport. A tremendous burst of applause greeted John L. Sullivan as he was announced to make a short speech. He received another ovation as he retired. Billy Edwards, the ex-light-weight champion, and Arthur Chambers of Philadelphia, his old rival, then sparred three rounds. A great reception was accorded to Corbett as he came into the right to box three rounds with Jim McVey, his sparring partner. The champion looked in good shape. He was as lively as a kitten and gave a beautiful exhibition of science. Then the stars of the evening, Mace and Donovan, entered the ring. The veterans had on long white trousers and were stripped above the belt. Parson Davies announced that there would be no decision as the set-to was to be a scientific exhibition of a friendly nature. Donovan was very active on his feet and danced around the old Englishman, tapping him lightly on the face and body with open gloves. Mace, despite his years, was quick and used his left well. In the second round Mace took out his false teeth and threw them to his second. In the third Mace shoved his left in straight a couple of times and Mike sent a pretty hot one to the jaw. They did some lively tapping in the last round, and the old fellows looked to be in earnest for a second, when Parson Davies called time. They shook hands and there were loud cries of "draw!" "draw!"

BIG FIRE AT ALTOONA.

Several Business Buildings Destroyed and the Postoffice Damaged.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 15.—Fire that started in the large dry-goods store of Frank M. Morrow at Eleventh avenue and Twelfth street last night while the store was crowded with customers soon destroyed that structure, then spread to the large Morrow building, which was completely destroyed, and communicated to the wholesale drug store of Turner & Kantner on the south. Next the flames attacked the large three-story brick building owned by the Wolf heirs and occupied by Charles A. Carpenter, wholesale tobacconist. This building was destroyed, and the flames spread to the postoffice building, which is owned by the Odd Fellows. On the east the flames gutted the top floors of the Blumenthal building, which is occupied by the Temple Clothing company, and its large stock was ruined. Opposite the Morrow building, the First National bank, Johnson's shoe store, George Fresh's sporting goods store, M. Mayer, milliner, the Altoona Candy company and George Streit's shoe store were damaged by fire and water. The losses will aggregate $100,000.

Prof. Sargent's Residence Damaged.

Brookline, Mass., Dec. 15.—A fire occurred last night in the magnificent country residence of Prof. Charles S. Sargent of Harvard university. The south wing of the building was practically destroyed. The furniture, valuable heirlooms, and most of the costly furnishings were taken from the house, but they were somewhat damaged by smoke. The loss is estimated at $25,000; fully insured. The fire started in a sergeant's room.

Urged To Enlist for Cuba.

Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—An evening paper in a guarded editorial urges soldiers in the United States army here who may be discharged and others of military training to join the Cuban insurgent movement. It also suggests that a fund in aid of the Cubans be raised here.

Hanged Herself in Jail.

Walkerton, Ont., Dec. 15.—Miss Catherine Halk of Culross, who had been committed to the Walkerton jail as a lunatic, committed suicide last night by hanging herself to a cell door with a rope made of her apron. She was 34 years of age.

HEARINGS ON TARIFF

Programme Adopted by the Ways and Means Committee.

NO UNNECESSARY TIME TO BE LOST

To Begin on December 28 and Continue for Two Weeks—Written Statements Are Also Invited—Statement of the Minority Leader.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The ways and means committee has decided on the following programme for public hearings on the proposed new tariff bills: Monday, December 28—Schedule A, chemicals, oils and paints, and schedule H, spirits, wines and other beverages. Tuesday, December 29—Schedule I, cotton manufactures, and schedule L, silks and silk goods. Wednesday, December 30—Schedule D, wood, and manufactures of, and schedule M, pulp, papers and books. Saturday, January 2—Schedule J, flax, hemp, and manufactures of. Monday, January 4—Schedule F, tobacco, and manufactures of. Tuesday, January 5—Schedule G, agricultural products and provisions, including live animals, dairy products, fruits, fish, meats, salt, etc. Wednesday, January 6—Schedule K, wool, and on Thursday, January 7, manufactures of wool. Friday, January 8—Schedule B, earthenware, glassware, marble and stone. Saturday, January 9—Schedule C, iron and lead ores; metals and manufactures. Monday, January 11—Schedule N, sundries, including buttons, gloves, leather and manufactures of; and free list. Persons who desire to present a written statement in respect to any of the schedules may forward the same to the clerk of the committee at any time prior to the closing of the hearings.

Views of the Minority Leader.

Apropos of the action of the republican majority of the committee on ways and means regarding tariff hearings, Mr. Turner of Georgia, the ranking member of the minority, said that the committee did not have the power to formulate a bill for the next congress. He also suggested that if current rumors were to be credited the chairman (Mr. Dingley) might better wait until under the next administration he might, as secretary of the treasury, give advice and instructions on the subject to those who will be asked to legislate upon it.

BROOKLYN BRIDGE TRAFFIC.

Statistics of the Great Structure Connecting New York and the City of Churches.

New York, Dec. 15.—The annual report of the trustees of the New York and Brooklyn bridge, just issued, shows, among other things, as follows: The receipts from tolls during the year have been $1,201,758.13, divided as follows: Carriageways, $88,800.86; railroad, $1,112,957.27. During the twelve months the number of passengers carried on the railroad was 43,906,459. The number carried in the previous year was 44,564,329, giving a revenue of $1,130,608 84. The receipts from all sources were $1,712,061.19. The expenditures were $1,640,490 24, leaving a balance of $71,570 95. During the year there were 247 arrests, 42 runaways, 94 persons accidentally injured, 80 persons taken ill and two sudden deaths on the structure. Three vessels lost their topmasts while passing under it. One surprising statement in the report is as follows: "The total amount of time lost on the railway by delays from all causes was four hours and forty-eight minutes, an average of forty-seven seconds per day of twenty-four hours, or one minute for each 152,765 passengers carried."

Letter Carriers To Sell Stamps.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Postmaster General Wilson has extended the house-to-house collection and delivery system so as to provide for the sale of postage and special delivery stamps by letter carriers by means of the house collection and delivery boxes, and an official stamp-selling envelope has been approved to carry this project into effect.

Conscience Contributions.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Two conscience contributions were received by the treasurer of the United States yesterday. Both were sent anonymously and no message was contained in either envelope to indicate why or whence the money was sent. One contribution was of $520 and the other of $500. Both were in bills.

Bequests to Charity.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 15.—By the will of the late Mrs. Mary B. Loomis of this city the American Home Missionary society and the foreign missionary board, both of New York, are each bequeathed $3,000 legacies. The Female Guardian society of New York is given $2,000. The Bridgeport hospital is also handsomely remembered.

Ex-Sultan Murad Not at Large.

London, Dec. 15.—According to advices received here from Vienna, Berlin and Paris, there is no truth in the reported escape of ex-Sultan Murad from the place where he has been confined for twenty years in Constantinople.

Some Women

jump at it. They're quick to see the advantages of Pearline, quick to economize and save, quick to adopt all the modern improvements that make life easier. And these quick women are the ones that are likely to use Pearline (use with cold soap) in the right way, and to find new uses for it, and get most out of it.

Some Women

have to be driven to it. They wait until they can't stand the old-fashioned way of washing any longer. Then they get Pearline. But ten to one they use it for only part of the work, or use it some way of their own, or use something else with it—and don't get half the help they ought to.

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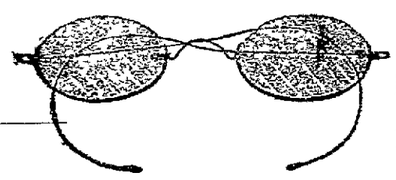

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE "SIMPLE" MAN.

It used to seem so sad to see the children
gath'ring round
With [illegible] playing marbles—kneeling
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And [illegible] [illegible] angels rather with
[illegible] [illegible] day,
And—as we need to ponder—join him gayly
[illegible] play
For well he loved the children, and I know
he heart would break
If no [illegible] Heaven came to play with Old
Jud Drake

—Chicago Record

MR. WILLIAMS' ECONOMY.

"Did it ever occur to you that Little Victor is getting to be nearly three years old?" inquired Mr. Williams, looking up from the newspaper which he had not been reading for five minutes.

"Well," said Mrs. Williams, "as we have been celebrating his birthday every month since he was six months old, and as we observed it weekly up to that time, I suppose it would be rather difficult for me not to remember the boy's age. Why?" with some concern. She had half an idea that he was thinking of some wonderfully advantageous scheme for the little one's benefit.

"Well," said Mr. Williams, "it seems to me that we ought to be calculating upon his education."

"Oh, my," his wife cried, laughing. "Why, he isn't old enough by three years even to go to the kindergarten."

"I didn't mean to send him at once," said Mr. Williams, looking proudly at his offspring, now engaged in the highly educational pursuit of building a miraculous sort of tower out of his blocks, and knocking the edifice down and then laughing gleefully. "Of course he's too young for that, but it seems to me that we ought to begin providing for the future. We ought to start in to lay by a fund for his education. I want him to attend college and all that, and of course that costs money, and possibly misfortune might come just at the time when we wanted to give him educational advantages, and if we didn't have a special fund to draw upon the child would have to go through life illiterate."

"I don't think there is any danger," Mrs. Williams started to say, but Williams interrupted her.

"Sometimes," he declared, "I am ashamed of myself for my spendthrift habits. Every little once in awhile I am confronted by the idea that I am paving the way for starvation for my family by pandering to the needless little vices which have grown up around me. I never deny myself anything, and some time—"

"Oh, you're a dear old goose, and you haven't any vices at all, and we shall get along nicely. Don't get blue about nothing."

"I'm not blue; but look here." He drew a paper from his pocketbook—a paper covered with figures. Presenting it to his wife, who was always appalled at the sight of mathematical displays, and never could get at the bottom of them, he said: "Look at that."

"What is it?" she queried, helplessly. "The compound interest on the abstract to the trust deed of our house?"

"It is shaving," gloomily. "I would not have believed it myself. But I figured it up on the train to-day, and it shows an appalling condition. I have squandered in the last 15 years $766.50 in shaving—just plain shaving, common 15-cent shaving. No frills to it. No mustache curling or anything of that sort. Isn't that scandalous, and all the time that boy not knowing where the money was going to come from for his education."

"But," said Mrs. Williams, "he wasn't born until three years ago."

"The theory is just the same," her husband insisted. "It is a vicious waste of money and I am going to correct it as far as I can."

"What are you going to do?"

"I am going to shave myself and apply the money to a fund for little Victor's forthcoming education. I can do it."

The next day Mr. Williams came home in high elation. He had several bunchy-looking little bundles in his overcoat pocket, and, unloading them on the dining-room table, little Victor, as is the custom of speculative children of his age, gladly seized upon them, crying:

"Papa b'ing me this!"

Mr. Williams, who had been hanging up his overcoat at the moment of the seizure, came rushing in from the hall like a full-back rushing to get a punted ball.

"Heavens and earth! He'll cut his hand off with that razor. Grab him!" he called. The baby had been howlingly rescued from impending calamity. Mr. Williams then explained the nature of his purchases.

"This," he said "is a mug. It cost a dollar, but seven shaves will save it back to me. This brush cost another dollar—same reckoning. The strop cost me $2.50 and the sponge 75 cents. The shaving soap—"

"Oh, now, Harry!" Mrs. Williams interrupted in triumph. "Now I can tell you where you wasted money for all your good intentions. I bought a whole case of soap at the department store the other day, and Ida says it's just magnificent. You can scour with it, too."

Mr. Williams tried to explain that there was some difference between soaps, but she declared that hers made just as nice lather as one could wish and the only difference, she said, was that he had paid about 50 times as much, proportionate to quantity, as she had.

"I had to get the best of the permanent and unchangeable things," Mr Williams said, evading the soap question, though he knew he was right. "The strop, sponge and mug, you see, cannot suffer much change by time. But I saved considerably on the razor, for I reasoned that you can sharpen a razor every time you shave, and so it is useless to buy a costly one. I paid 35 cents for this one, and I am sure it will answer every purpose. The bay rum and other things—"

"Oh, are there still more things to use? I didn't know the process of shaving was such a complex one. I thought all that was needed was something sharp enough to get the beard off."

"Well," said Mr. Williams, dubiously, "I will confess that I thought so, too, but the fellow reminded me of all these things, and, sure enough, I remembered that they were necessary. But just a few weeks and they will all be paid for, and then every time I shave after that it will be clear profit. Think of saving that much money for the benefit of the baby," and Mr. Williams gathered his offspring up and rapturously kissed him.

The next morning Mr. Williams started in on the work of economy. He procured a handglass and hung it to the wall, only to find when he began operations that the glass was invariably on the wrong side of the light and his hand always shaded his face. His lather seemed to be reluctant and watery also, but those were minor evils which could be remedied if he only had time, which he didn't, for his train was due to leave in half an hour. He lathered on in a liquid way for several minutes, and then opened hostilities with his beard.

There is no cause for description of the horrible half-hour which followed. Men who have never learned to shave and who try it know how the thing works, and nobody else would credit a fraction of the true story. Mr. Williams discovered new angles in his countenance—angles never before revealed to human eye. He found that his razor, although sharp enough to perform almost any miracle in mowing, positively balked at his two-days-old stubble, and when he did succeed in chopping off a dozen spikes at a sawing sweep it was a victory achieved through floods of blood. He pulled the razor and pushed and worked it crosswise and gave it every motion to which the arm is a possible contributor, and every moment a new smarting sensation was the register of a new "pinking." But it was not until he had worked his way down from the cheek to the chin that the full measure of his contract occurred to him. There the blade, defied by the stumpy beard, lunged and plunged and the uprooting sensation was continuous and fearful.

But he was game, and ten minutes after his train had left he rushed from the house, pretending to be in too big a hurry to catch the next train to stop to kiss his wife.

The next day Mr. Williams tried it again.

He made another effort the following day.

On the fourth day Mr. Williams sneaked into his former shop in Chicago, and, approaching his favorite barber, said: "Ed, I have been shaving here so long I thought I'd bring my mug in. And while I was at it I concluded to buy an entire outfit for you to use on me. Here's the razor and the strop."

He hoped that Ed would not know the truth, but the barber, looking at his harrowed face, understood. When Mr. Williams had gone the other barbers gathered around in an awed fashion to look at the razor.

Mrs. Williams is a wise woman. So wise that she has never mentioned the Little Victor Educational Fund since the day of its incipiency. — Chicago Record.

Roast Turkey with Giblet Sauce.

Select a fat young hen turkey. Singe and wash. Fill with rich bread or cracker dressing, well seasoned, and if liked, two onions may be finely minced and added to the dressing. Stuff both body and breast with this. Lay the turkey in the basting pan and pour two cupfuls of hot water around it. Bake slowly but steadily, basting frequently. Allow from 10 to 12 minutes a pound, if the fowl is a young one, but 15 or more if it is an old, tough one. To make the giblet sauce, boil the heart liver and gizzard in two quarts of water for two hours. Take up, chop fine and return to the gravy with a spoonful of flour. Season with salt and pepper, and pour in the pan in which the turkey was cooked, and stir, and serve. Serve this sauce in gravy boat. — Ladies' World.

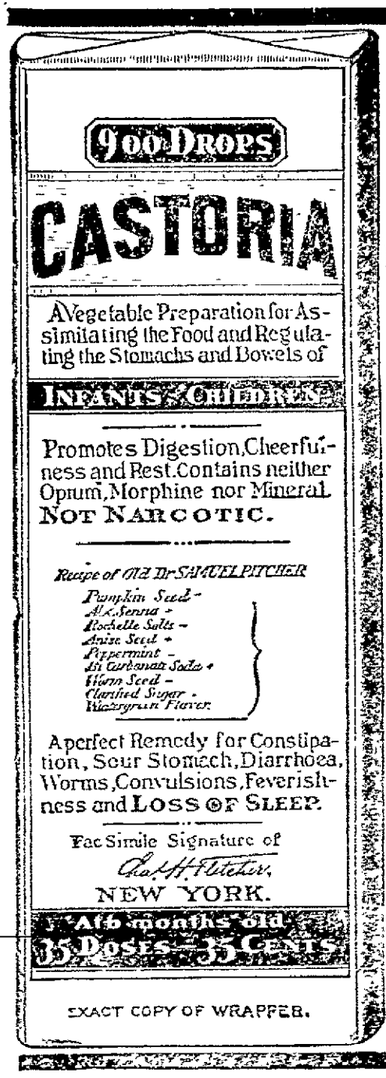
A Matter of Business.

Servant (from next door)—Please, mum, missus sends her compliments, and will ye be so kind as to sing and play the piano this afternoon?

Lady—Why, certainly. Tell your mistress I'm glad she likes it.

"O, it isn't that, mum; she's expecting the landlord, and she wants some excuse for asking for a reduction of the rent."—Boston Globe.

—Gold in large quantities has been discovered in the interior of New Guinea by Sir William McGregor, the governor, who recently traveled across the island.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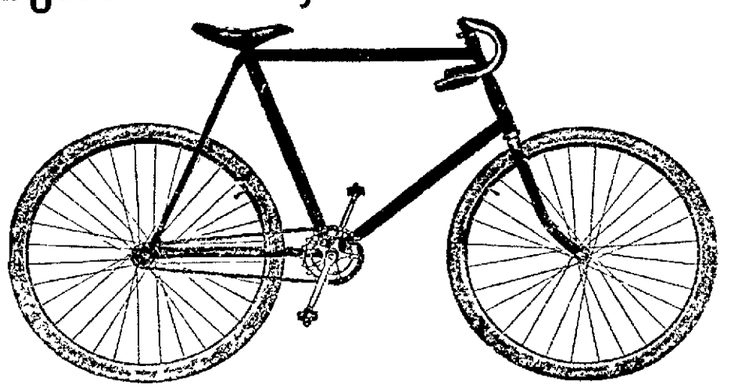

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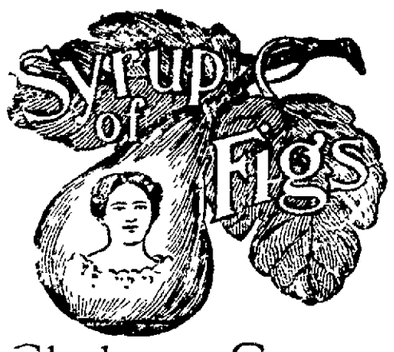

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The following is an account of a social function most successfully carried out by a hostess in search of a novelty in the way of entertainment. Her invited guests were 38 in number. Her husband and herself made 40 present on the evening in question.

To each person the idea had been explained; a character was to be selected from some well-known work of fiction, and was to be dressed as accurately as possible, but the hope should be to defy guessing on the part of others as to the author of the personage. Therefore, no name widely quoted or popularly used should be selected.

Host and hostess, as well as all the rest, were provided on the night of festivity with 39 cards bearing the name assumed. These were exchanged, and, below the autograph, with the tiny pencil tied through the pasteboard by a bit of Tom Thumb ribbon, a guess was scribbled as to the novelist creator of that character.

These cards were gathered together, after the bountiful refreshments were served, and few of them were ready until the different characters had been questioned often, with a view to bringing out the book in which they figured.

When these cards had all been collected and all bore, on the reverse side, the name of the guesser, duplicates were placed in another receptacle contributed by the personages and revealing their correct places in fiction with their author. Those who had known the greatest number, of course, received prizes. This is the list of the 40 immortals as selected on the evening just described. It may serve as a hint to others for a like occasion:

Emma Woodhouse, "Jane Austen;" Molly Gibson, "Mrs. Gaskell;" Mrs. Chickenstalker, "Dickens;" Dorothea Brooks, "George Eliot;" Amelia Sedley, "Thackeray;" Mrs. Hawksbee, "Kipling;" Rose Bradwardine, "Scott;" Ethel May, "Miss Yonge;" Helen Ward, "Mrs. Deland;" Mag Lownie, "J. M. Barrie;" Rose Clark, "Fanny Fern;" Clara Huddlestone, "Stevenson;" Mrs. Pervada, "Sidney Luska;" Miggles, "Dickens;" Mrs. Poyser, "George Eliot;" Margaret Howe, "Ian Maclaren," Laura Dalton, "The Marvel;" Allie Noble, "John Brown;" Dolly Foster, "Anthony Hope;" Raoul de Mar, "Stanley Weyman;" Jack de Ford, "J. S. Wood;" Alfred Tollet, "Mary Wilkins;" Herr Meina, "Goethe;" Lord Steepleton, "F. M. Crawford;" Amyas Leigh, "Charles Kingsley," Leonard Ewbank, "Wordsworth;" Romney Leigh, "Mrs. Browning;" Floyd Ireson, "Whittier;" Tom Corey, "W. D. Howells;" Ned Prentiss, "Grace Denio Litchfield;" Dr. Balloch, "Mrs. Barr;" George Ferris, "George Fleming;" Will Wimble, "Joseph Addison;" Deacon Soper, "Oliver Wendell Holmes;" Charles Nordhall, "Miss Phelps;" St. John Rivers, "Charlotte Bronte;" Ben Brennan, "Edward Everett Hale;" James Drummond, "William Black;" Uncle Venner, "Nathaniel Hawthorne;" John Brooke, "Miss Alcott."—Philadelphia Press.

DOUBLE-BARRELED DREAMS.

How a Broker Deceived His Listeners Into Credulity.

They were discussing the subject of dreams and the broker, after hearing from most of the others, declined to advance an opinion, but said he would relate a dream he once had and leave his hearers to draw their own conclusions.

"I was a young man of active habits and anxious to get rich by the shortest possible method consistent with honesty. I found myself in the western part of what is now the state of Washington. I met a rough miner who said he was about to depart for the section where the Lowett gold mines are now being operated and wanted me to go along. His inducement was that we could realize 50 cents a pan at placer mining, which was a dazzling bonanza.

"I also met a man whom I had known in the east and he advised against the project, because my proposed partner was under suspicion. He had started out on half a dozen expeditions with some tenderfoot and always returned alone, though nothing had ever been proven against him. But I resisted all opposing advice and went. The third night out we spread our blankets early and laid down, for we were tired and a storm threatened. It must have been about midnight when I had the most blood curdling dream. As I recall it I see young Hamilton now. I saw that rough miner, who was accustomed to losing men whom he took out, standing over me with a drawn bowie and about to plunge it into my breast.

"I could not scream or move to offer resistance. The very terror of the situation must have awakened me. The cold sweat was pouring from every pore and it was only when I realized the immediate safety of my position that I could move. Stealthily I moved with my trappings to where my horse was tethered, hastily prepared him for the journey and soon went galloping over the back trail. I imagined pursuit but no shots were fired and my escape was assured."

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HEN WITH THREE LEGS.

The hen is about six months old, and is of the Buff Cochin variety. It was received four days ago in a crate with other chickens from some town in Illinois. Mr. Vogeler is keeping the hen on exhibition, and is awaiting a satisfactory offer from some showman for the freak.

Boom for Mexican Tobacco.

Consul-General Crittenden reports from Mexico that Mexican tobacco may take the place of the fine grades of Cuban tobacco in the markets of the world. The report is an exhaustive review of the tobacco resources of Mexico, and presents the subject in a new and important light. Gen. Crittenden makes no mention of the Cuban war as a cause of the depletion of Cuba's tobacco product, but he points out that under normal conditions Cuba's soil has become impoverished until it can yield no more. Under these circumstances, the consul-general says the world's requirements of what are generally known as "Havana cigars" can be supplied only through the use of Mexican leaf tobacco.

Story of a Sicilian Tragedy.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Eveline Decker, late of the town of Minisink, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at her place of residence, in the town of Greenville, on or before the 20th day of March next.

Dated September 8th, 1896.

MINNIE CLARK, Executrix.
C. W. COLEMAN, Attorney for Executrix, Goshen, N. Y. w7to8m8th15

N. Y. Supreme Court, county of Orange—Robert H. Houston, Jr., and Catherine M. Houston, as executors of the last will and testament of Robert H. Houston, deceased, plaintiffs, against Monhagen Hat Company, defendant.

The People of the State of New York to Theodore E. Hancock, Attorney-General of the State of New York, and to Thomas Martin & Co., Willimantic Linen Co., The Horace J. Arne Hat Leather Co., Moore & Munger, Baeder, Adamson & Co., Hofmann & Ellrodt, J. H. Gautier & Co., Innis & Co., John G. Wright, Keller Printing Co., Acorn Rathbun, Williams & Peters Settle Bros. & Co., W. H. Schiffelin & Co., The Stamford Manufacturing Co., E. Frank Lewis, P. Delany & Co., F. H. Lengfeldt Dounce & Co., Albert G. Courter, Walter H. Graef & Co., New York Rubber Co., E. P. Ducas Co., L. C. King & Co., Charles Ribbans, J. W. Goddard & Sons, Galen Coleman, J. P. Nawrath, Pass & Co., Water Commissioners of Middletown, N. Y., The Warren Soap Manufacturing Co., Standard Oil Co., Bench & Co., Robert H. Houston, Jr., and Catherine M. Houston, as executors of the last will and testament of Robert H. Houston, deceased, and to all other persons interested as creditors of the Monhagen Hat Company or otherwise send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited, ordered and required to be and appear at a Special Term of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, to be held at Supreme Court Chambers, in the city of Newburgh, Orange county, New York, on the eighteenth day of December, 1896, at ten o'clock a. m. then and there to show cause why a final settlement of the accounts of Henry W. Wiggins, as receiver of the Monhagen Hat Company should not be had and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the said receiver's accounts.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature at the Supreme Court Chambers, in the city of Newburgh, N. Y. this 14th day of November, 1896.

WILLIAM D. DICKEY, Justice of the Supreme Court.

O'NEILL & ROYCE, Attorneys for Receiver, North street, Middletown, N. Y. d7to8dec15

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GEORGE H. THOMPSON, J. F. ROBINSON, & E. NICKINSON, } EDITOR. CITY EDITORS.

TUESDAY, DEC. 15, 1896.

The unfortunate thing about Joseph H. Choate's candidacy for the Senate is that it is hoodooed by the support of the McKinley League and Parkhurst.

The Cuban League of the United States, organized in New York, last night, includes among its members many of the foremost citizens of the country. Their expression of sympathy with Cuba in her struggle for independence, and the efforts they propose to make in her behalf, cannot fail to have a marked effect both at home and abroad. The murder of Maceo is likely to prove the dearest "victory" Spain ever won.

McKinley has been driven from his home by the army of "original McKinley men" who marched on Canton to demand office as a reward for being "original." Having welcomed the hosts of political pilgrims during the campaign, he could not close his doors to the office seeking horde who called to "pay respects," and life in Canton having become unendurable, he has made up his mind to fly to Chicago.

Governor-elect Black seems to have been unfortunate in the selection of his military staff. His appointment of Fred P. Morris as Paymaster General has brought forth a howl of wrath from national guardsmen, particularly from the 17th Separate Company, of Flushing, of which Mr. Morris was once a member and from which he was "discharged for general neglect of duty and disobedience of orders." The worst of it all is that members of the company say that Mr. Morris has offered to help the company financially if it would say nothing about this incident which ought to have ended his military career.

THE COUNTY COURT.

Still Working on the Criminal Calendar—Two Cornwall Liquor Sellers Plead Guilty—Barnes, the Horse Thief, Now on Trial.

The County Court at Goshen is still occupied with the trial of criminal cases.

The jury in the case of Teddy Hedden, of Greenwood Lake, tried yesterday on the charge of rape, rendered a verdict of guilty, and he was remanded for sentence.

Samuel Oppenheimer, of Cornwall, charged with selling liquor unlawfully, did not appear when his case was called, and his bond was declared forfeited.

Herbert McCarthey, a tramp, charged with burglary at Warwick, was acquitted.

Charles Stevens, of Newburgh, was convicted of assault in the second degree, committed on a neighbor, and was remanded for sentence.

Robert Hanna, of Cornwall, arraigned on three indictments for violation of the excise law, pleaded guilty to one indictment and not guilty to the other two. He will be sentenced later.

Dennis White, of Cornwall, pleaded guilty to one indictment for illegal liquor selling and not guilty to another charging the same offense. Sentence will be pronounced later.

The trial of Henry Barnes, the old man indicted for stealing a horse from Ben Writer, of near Otisville, is now in progress.

On the call of the civil calendar the cases were disposed of as follows:

OFF AND OVER.

Ran vs. Earle.
Dorr vs. Swartwout.
Bailey vs. Lewis.
Fairweather vs. Williams.

READY FOR TRIAL.

Drum vs. Gillette.
Kimball vs. Everitt.
Corwin vs. Jones. (Thursday.)
Allen vs. Manning. (Friday.)
Manning vs. Snyder. (Friday.)

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 18 North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Dec. 15, '96.

	Yesterday Close	Today Close
Sugar	115⅝	*110⅛
Tobacco	74½	74
Chicago Gas	72⅝	71½
Nat. Lead	21	—
General Electric	30⅛	30⅝
U. S. L., pref.	60⅛	†58¼
Tenn. Coal and Iron	26½	25⅜
A. T. & S. F.	13⅞	13⅝
C. B. & Q.	76⅝	74½
C. M. & St. P.	73⅝	73½
R. I.	67½	67⅜
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	101½	102½
Erie	14⅝	—
D. and H.	125⅜	—
O. & W.	14⅝	14⅝
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	26	26
P. & R.	25⅛	25⅜
N. W.	102¼	102¼
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	95½	—
M. P.	20⅝	19¾
Texas	—	9⅝
C. P.	9⅛	9
W. Union	86¼	85⅝
L. & N.	48⅝	48¾
Manhattan	95⅛	93
P. M.	21⅜	21
Wabash, pref.	15½	15⅛
No. Pacific, pref.	21¾	—
W. L.	7⅜	7½
Southern Ry.	—	—
Southern, pref.	27½	1.7
May Wheat	82⅝	81⅝
May Corn	26⅛	25⅝
May Oats	20¾	20⅜
Jan Pork	$7 75	$7 62
Jan Lard	3 90	3 85

*Ex. div., 3 per cent.; †Ex. div., 1 per cent.; ‡Ex. div. 1 per cent.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SOUNDS VERY WARLIKE.

A Joint Resolution That If Adopted Will Mean War.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—Mr. Woodman introduced, to-day, a joint resolution in the House, directing Cleveland to express to Spain this country's severe condemnation of its methods of welfare, especially in connection with the death of Maceo; to recognize the independence of Cuba; to demand from Spain the withdrawal of all armed forces from Cuba, and to take such steps as are necessary to enforce these demands. The resolution was referred to the Foreign Affairs Committee.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—The Senate has agreed to the House to adjourn Dec. 22 until Jan. 5.

OBITUARY.

E. H. Abell.

E. H. Abell, editor of the Walden *Citizen*, died in that village, Sunday morning, after an illness of over a year, from anæmia, aged forty-four years.

He was a member of Enterprise Steamer Co. and with that company responded to Montgomery's call for help when the paper mill burned in September, 1895, and his illness dates from the exposure and exertion to which he subjected himself at that time. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and was prominent in Epworth League work. He is survived by his widow and two sons, Ralph and Edwin.

Sale of the Kilgour Properties.

The sheriff of Pice county, sold Monday, at Milford, the Kilgour properties at Parker's Glen and Stairway. The properties sold include stone quarries, mills and a number of houses. They were bought W. E. Scott of Port Jervis, for $9,005. The face of the mortgage was $20,000.

The Erie's Rush of Freight.

Eighteen freight trains, not counting coal trains from the Honesdale branch, came east over the Delaware Division of the Erie, Sunday. This is one of the largest runs of freight in the history of the road.

BULLVILLE.

A Very Successful Fair—Getting Ready to Build — Preparing for a Sunday School Entertainment—Personal Notes

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The fair held for the benefit of the M. E. Church of this place, Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, was a decided success in every particular. The net proceeds were $127.25.

—Justice of the Peace George Green has nearly finished preparing to erect, next spring, a large and late improved barn on his fine farm near this place.

—The Sunday School is rehearsing for an entertainment to be given in the M. E. Church on Christmas Eve.

—Miss Minnie Montgomery, of Newburgh, who has been spending a fortnight at the home of her brother, James B. Montgomery, returned home, Saturday.

—Mrs. E. Embler, of Middletown, spent Sunday visiting her brother, S. H. Dickinson, at this place.

—Fred Norris, of this place, was visiting friends in Port Jervis, Sunday.

PINE BUSH.

A New Creamery—On the Sick List—An Oyster Supper—Preaching as a Candidate—Foresters' Reception.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Edward Crawford, of East Pine Bush, is building an ice house and creamery combined.

—The heirs of the property of Cornelius Hardenburg, of near Pine Bush, are building a tenement house for that property.

—Mrs. Thomas Mabee and J. Morrison McKinney, of this village, are on the sick list.

—An oyster supper will be given in the parsonage of Graham's Church of Pine Bush, this (Tuesday) evening. Proceeds for the benefit of that church.

—Rev. W. Atchinson preached Sunday as a candidate for the vacant pulpit of Graham's Church and will continue to be with us next Sunday.

—The Foresters, who have recently organized a lodge, in Pine Bush, will give a grand reception in Wallace's hall, Dec. 24, for the benefit of that organization.

DWAARKILL.

A Dime Social — Donation Visit — Gone South.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The dime sociable at the home of Robert Decker, last Friday night, was very well attended. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Rutsonville Sunday school.

—The people of Shawangunk Church will pay their pastor, Rev. Joseph Dixon, their annual donation visit on Wednesday evening, Dec. 16.

—Miss Henrietta Alsdorf left, on the 15th inst., for the South, where she will spend the winter with her aunt, Mrs. N. E. Barr.

—Mrs. Wilson Bruyn has gone to New York to visit friends and relatives.

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MOUNT HOPE.

Setting up a Steam Saw Mill—Preached at Circleville—A Runaway—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—Mr. Howell is building a steam saw mill on the lands of Charles Reynolfis. The engine and other machinery for it arrived at Otisville one day last week, and William Moore has the contract to draw it to Mr. Reynolds' place.

—Mr. and Mrs. Howell are boarding with Mrs. Reynolds.

—Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald preached in the Presbyterian Church at Circleville, Sunday morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. David Hull spent Sunday at Westtown.

—While Ira Ketcham was unloading milk at the Otisville creamery, Thursday, his horse took fright and started to run, throwing him out, and breaking the wagon somewhat, but doing no serious damage.

—Miss Jennie Rysdyke was the guest of Miss Carrie Penney a day or two last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Moore entertained a few friends at their pleasant home in Finchville, Thursday. Among the number were Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Corwin, of Middletown, and Rev. and Mrs. Luther Littell.

—Mrs. Louisa Halstead and Mrs. Ira Ketcham were guests of Miss Belle Hatch on Wednesday.

—Mrs. George Rysdyke is spending a week with her sister at Deckertown.

—The annual meeting of the Horse Thief Detecting Society was held in the school room, Saturday evening.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Good Templars' Entertainment and Supper—Crusade Day—Home from Nova Scotia—A Pleasant Evening—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—The members of the I. O. G. T. will give an entertainment and supper, Friday, Dec. 18th, at their rooms. Admission fifteen cents.

—The W. C. T. U., of this place, will observe Crusade Day, Tuesday, Dec. 15. The meeting will be held in the chapel, Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend this meeting.

—C. A. Norbury has returned home for the winter from Nova Scotia where he has been at work building a railroad.

—Irwin Baker is confined to the bed by illness.

—The S. Q. C. Club spent a pleasant evening at the home of H. Robbins, Friday evening.

—Milo Seagers and Dory Bell returned from Mountaindale where they have been doing carpenter work. They will return to finish as soon as the masons get through.

—Fred Shorter has in a fine stock of hand sleds but they are not very saleable as there is no snow to use them on.

GARDNERSVILLE.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—There will be a sociable at the home of W. H. Doan, on Thursday evening, Dec. 17. All are invited to attend as it is for the benefit of the church and Sunday School.

5 Sores

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Scrofula

sores. We had three different doctors. Pieces of bone came out of the sores. The last doctor said the leg would have to be cut open and the bone scraped, before he could get well. Howard became so low that he would eat nothing, and one doctor said there was no chance for him.

"One day, a newspaper recommending Hood's Sarsaparilla was left at our door. We decided to try this medicine. Howard commenced taking it the last of February, after having been sick for a year and a

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half. He hadn't taken it a week before I saw that his appetite began to improve, and then he gained rapidly. I gave him five bottles, when the sores were all healed and they never broke out again. The crutches he had used for four years were laid aside, as he had no further use for them. I give all the credit to Hood's Sarsaparilla." MRS. ADA L. MOODY, Fay Street, Lynn, Mass.

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Men's Kersey Overcoats $4.50.
Men's All Wool Kersey Overcoats $6.
Men's All Wool Black Suits $5.
Men's All Wool Clay Diagonal Suits $7.50

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TUESDAY, DEC. 15, 1896.

OPEN EVENINGS.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Threatening weather and snow or rain to-night and Wednesday; slight rise in temperature Wednesday, northeasterly winds brisk and high on coast; northeast gales on New England and middle Atlantic coast to-night.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day: 7 a. m., **23°**; 12 m., **28°**; 3 p. m., **28°**.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Dec. 19—"Hilarity in McFadgen's Row of Flats," at Casino.
—Dec. 21, 22—"The Mikado," at the Casino
—Dec. 24—Masquerade ball of Empqua Lodge, at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 1—Masquerade ball at Casino
—Jan. 1, 15, 29—Roche or Club hops

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Exquisite perfumery at McMonagle & Rogers'.
—Hilarity in McFadgen's Row of Flats, at Casino Dec. 19th.
—Holiday goods at H. E. Churchill & Co's.
—Presents with tea at E. G. Medrick's.
—Fruit cake, pies and cakes for sale by Mrs Crawford.
—Situation wanted by a stenographer.
—Stage make-up at McMonagle & Rogers's.
—Girl wanted to tend baby.
—Suits and overcoats cheap at Morris Wolf's
—Something for everybody at New Idea.
—All kinds of bags at Matthews & Co.'s

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Don't forget the printers' masquerade ball, Jan. 14th.

—"Hilarity" is the name of the piece to be presented here, Saturday evening, by Chas. A. Loder.

—It looks like snow, it feels like snow, the Weather Bureau predicts snow and it's a safe bet that it will snow.

—A wall-eyed pike that weighed ten pounds was caught in the Delaware, near Long Eddy, by Henry Tuthill, last week.

—We are in receipt of an invitation to the reception of the Monticello Club, to be held at Waller Hall, that village, Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th.

—An exchange says: "Chas. A. Loder is one of the best German comedians that visits our city. His specialities are original and up-to-date and as Herman Balmer in 'Hilarity,' he is making the hit of his career."

PERSONAL.

—Harry Wilbur, of Jersey City, is in town visiting friends.

THE COUNTY ROAD PROJECT.

Discussed at Length Before the Supervisors—Action Deferred Until To-day.

The Supervisors listened, yesterday afternoon, to a public debate on Mr. Ketcham's proposition to establish the county road system. About seventy citizens of the county were present. William Bull, of Wallkill, Hon. Nathaniel Howell, of Blooming Grove, Charles Reeve, of Goshen, Mr. Clark, of Hamptonburgh, E. V. R. Gardner, of Minisink, and J. Owen Moore, of Blooming Grove, spoke against the scheme. W. B. Royce, of Middletown, Max Samuels, of Newburgh, and R. B. Hock, of Goshen, spoke in favor of it. The whole matter was then laid over until Tuesday morning.

It is the general belief that when the supervisors vote on the resolution the county road scheme will be "knocked higher than Gilderoy's kite."

THE ORANGE COUNTY FAIR.

It Will Bring Many Sullivan and Delaware County People to Middletown.

From our Up-Midland Correspondent

Now that the Orange county fair is to be held at Middletown again, our Up-Midland people will have the opportunity and pleasure of attending cheaply one of the best agricultural exhibits in the State outside of the State fair at Syracuse. Cheap rates from all stations on the O. and W. will bring big crowds from up this way to their own advantage and Middletown's as well. RUSTICUS.

A Very Pleasing Entertainment.

A large audience greeted the Ariel-Grilley Combination, in the first entertainment o the Y. M. C. A. course, at the Casino, last evening. A very fine programme was presented by the Ariel Quartette, and Charles T. Grilley, impersonator. The entertainment gave general satisfaction, and speaks well for the quality of the three other entertainments in the Y. M. C. A. course.

Help Clothe the Needy.

If any having cast off garments to dispose of will kindly send them to the rooms of the Missionary Union, over Carson & Towner's store, on Thursdays, from 3 to 4, they will confer a favor upon the Union, and will thus help to clothe the needy.

Lost an Arm.

Erie Conductor John J. Feeney, of Port Jervis, was knocked down by the switch engine in the Bergen yard, Sunday morning, and two cars passed over his left arm, injuring it so badly that it had to be amputated between the shoulder and the elbow.

Want to Fight for Cuba.

Four well known young men, of this city, with a thrist for adventure and no ties that bind them here, are talking of joining a Cuban filibustering expedition.

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ARRESTED IN BINGHAMTON.

Powers and Vann, Who Jumped Their Bill at the Madison House, in Custody —To Be Brought Here To-night.

Chief of Police Gould received, this morning, a telegram from the Binghamton police announcing the arrest in that city of John J. Powers and Fred Vann, the church directory publishers, who, after vainly trying to get up advertising books in this city and Goshen, jumped their board bills at the Madison House.

They left the hotel on the night of Dec. 4, owing Landlord Lea $50 for board, cigars and liquid refreshments. He secured a warrant for them, and having obtained information that they were in Binghamton, the warrant was forwarded to that city, together with a copy of the DAILY ARGUS containing a description of the men, and they were arrested there, last night.

Chief Gould went to Binghamton on train 1 and is expected back with his prisoners on the Wells-Fargo, to-night.

A very tall young woman, who registered as Elinor Vann and passed as Fred Vann's sister, was with the young men while they were in this city. She got away from the Madison House, with all her clothing, the day before her companions skipped. Mr. Lea thinks he has located her and she may be arrested at any time.

Mr. Lea don't like to be "done" by dead beats and never hesitates to send good money after bad in an effort to run down those who try to beat his house, and as a consequence it isn't often that he has to hunt down guests who jump their bills.

M'QUOID ENGINE CO.'S FAIR.

Preparations Already Being Made — Tolley Employes to Contest for a Gold Watch.

The members of McQuoid Engine Co. have already begun extensive preparations for their first annual fair to be held at the Assembly Rooms, Feb. 1st to 6th.

A novel feature of the fair will be a contest to determine the most popular employe of the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company, the winner to receive a solid gold watch, Elgin movement, which is now on exhibition in Kernochan's jewelry store. The men who have thus far entered the contest are T. E. Tierney, A. Shoemaker and C. J. Malley, and they are making a lively canvass.

The other features of the fair will be similiar to those previously held in this city. Over two hundred different articles have thus far been donated by our merchants and business men.

THE MIKADO.

Reserved Seats in Great Demand, This Morning.

The reserved seat charts for the performances of the Mikado, were opened at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's jewelry store, this morning. Several persons were waiting when Mr. Dusenberry arrived at the store about half past six and from that time until noon there was a steady stream of people anxious to secure their seats. At no time was there any confusion and the sale proceeded rapidly and smoothly, much to the gratification of the members of Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company. The financial success of the entertainment is assured, and with a week's rehearsals yet to come, the artistic success should follow.

THE TROLLEY EXPRESS LINE.

The National Express Company Now Running Between This City and Goshen.

The National Express Company began running, this morning, between here and Goshen, over the electric road. One of the regular cars will be used as an express car for the present and passengers will also be carried. H. Coleman is conductor and express agent, and Charles Lancaster, motorman.

The express will make its first trip from here at 6 a. m., and its last trip at 6 p. m., making five trips per day. The same crew will remain in charge of the car from day to day. We understand it is the intention of the company to shortly put on a regular express car. S. P. Dusenberry is the express agent at Goshen.

A Marriage That Did Not Take Place.

Frank Kempke asks us to "produce" the announcement made in yesterday's ARGUS that he was married, Dec. 4th, to Miss Jennie Davis. The publication was made because Frank Kempke himself said that the marriage had taken place and asked that it be made known through the ARGUS. To-day he says he was "only joking," which is a roundabout way of confessing that he lied. We are sorry Miss Davis's name has been paraded before the public in any such connection, but if she tolerates such a thing as Kempke she must take the consequences.

Erie's Holiday Excursion Rate to New York.

On Monday, Dec. 21st, the Erie will sell excursion tickets to New York good on any train going Dec. 21st and returning on any train except No. 5 on or before Dec. 22d, at rate of $1.86 for the round trip. Best train service and quickest time. 16d5t

Daughters of Pocahontas Masquerade Ball.

The members of White Eagle Council, Daughters of Pocahontas, are determined to make their masquerade ball at the Assembly Rooms, Thursday evening, a grand success. Two prizes will be given, one for the handsomest lady's costume, and one for the best waltzer.

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THE DEATH OF FRED STRACK.

The Coroner's Inquest, Last Night—No New Facts Elicited—The Verdict, Killed by the Cars.

Coroner Decker held an inquest at the Occidental Hotel, Goshen, last evening, in the case of Constable Fred Strack, of that village, who met his death on the railroad track, Saturday night.

Only two witnesses were sworn, George N. Abbott, another constable, who accompanied Strack on the fatal night, and Dr. Robinson, of Goshen, who testified regarding the injuries Strack received.

Abbott's testimony was in substance the same as has already been published. He said Strack had gone up the track ahead of him a short distance, when he (Abbott) saw the Wells-Fargo Express approaching, and stepped to one side. After the train passed he hastened on up the track, but saw nothing of Strack until he came upon his dead body, lying between the tracks. It was Abbott's opinion that Strack had boarded the freight train which passed a few moments before, in quest of a tramp, and in leaning too far out was struck and killed by the Wells-Fargo Express passing on the other track.

There was absolutely nothing in the testimony given at the inquest to indicate that Strack had been the victim of foul play at the hands of tramps or anybody else. The jury returned the following verdict:

"We find that Fred Strack, the deceased, came to his death on the night of December 12th, 1896, about 9:39 by being killed by a train of cars on the Erie Railroad, three-quarters of a mile west of Goshen, near Peterson's switch."

The members of the jury were: Daniel Fullerton, foreman; Levi Van Leuven, Albert Weeden, Henry Powell, Charles B. Ogden, Frank Brady, Howard Vermilyea and Hiram Tuthill.

KILLED ON THE ERIE.

The Body of an Unknown Man Found at Collins' Switch, This Morning.

The dead body of an unknown man, believed to have been a tramp, was found by an Erie trackman near the railroad tracks at Collins' switch, three miles this side of Port Jervis, this morning. From all appearances the man had been dead several hours. The remains, which were frozen stiff, were in such a mutilated condition that little could be determined regarding the man's appearance, and no paper or mark of identification could be found about the body. The head had been entirely severed from the body, and a leg was found nearly ten feet from it.

As soon as the body was discovered Coroner Decker was notified by the Erie authorities, and went to the scene of the accident on a freight train, which picked up the remains and took them to Port Jervis, where Coroner Decker turned them over to Coroner Harding.

A LIVELY RAILROAD WAR.

Captain Rockwell Arrested for Tearing Up a Rival Road's Tracks on Staten Island.

Capt in Rockwell, as President of the Midland Electric Company of Staten Island, is having a hotter time over the right to lay his tracks on a certain avenue than he did in this city over Benton avenue. A rival company stole a march on him, Sunday, and laid its tracks in the avenue, and when the Captain and a force of men, armed with documents from the Board of Trustees of New Brighton, empowering them to tear up the track, attempted to carry out the order they were all arrested and held for a hearing to-day.

MEETING OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS

Neversink Division of Port Jervis Entertains Many Friends.

Neversink Division, Order of Railway Conductors, of Port Jervis, held its annual election and banquet, Sunday. Grand Chief Conductor Clark, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., was present as was also a very large number of conductors from different places on the Erie and from other roads. Middletown's representatives were: A. E. Ludington, W. F. Davis, G. F. Close, J. E. Brazee, W. Faulkner, E. J. Madden, A. J. Morton, C. E. Weisz, C. H. Murray. In all 156 sat down at the banquet at the Delaware House.

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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

Annual Meeting of the Social and Athletic Association—The Masquerade Ball—The Trolley Express — Judge Swezey's Plan for Getting Rid of Tramps—Fred Strack's Funeral—Democratic Supervisors Feasted.

From our Regular Correspondent.

—The annual meeting of the Goshen Social and Athletic Association was held, last evening. The reports of the organization's various officials were presented. It was decided to hold a "smoker" and have a "feed" at the club rooms about holiday time; a committee was appointed to supervise the matter. The following officers were elected: Pres., J. W. Gott; Vice Pres., Dr. F. W. Seward, Hon. Louis Redell; Sec'y., Frank Drake; Treas., Chas. G. Elliott; Fin. Sec'y., W. N. Hoffman; Governing Com., J. B. Sweezy, J. A. Staats, Dudley Murray, Victor K. Mills and A. J. Moore; Fin. Com., V. K. Mills, E. A. Hopkins, J. W. Hayne. It was decided that two of the four recently organized bowling teams should contest each Tuesday night. A schedule of games is being arranged. President Gott has offered a prize for the best individual score at the close of the series of games.

—The masquerade ball which will be given at Music Hall, on Thursday evening, Dec. 17th, under the auspices of the Goshen Separate Social Club, promises to be a successful affair. The committee in charge of the affair has made every effort to insure a pleasant time for all those who attend. Berg's orchestra will furnish the music. A concert will be given at 8:30, dancing will begin at 9:30 and the unmasking will take place at 10:30. Refreshments will be served. Admission by invitation only. A special car will leave Goshen after the dance for the accommodation of guests from Middletown.

—The first trip of the trolley express car which is operated by the National Express Co. was made, this morning. The car is due at Goshen at 6:35 a. m. and five trips are made daily. S. P. Dusenberry is the agent and Harry O'Neal the delivery clerk.

—There will be a shooting match at live pigeons, at the Half-Way hotel, Mapes Corners, Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 1 p. m.

—Tramps are becoming a nuisance at Goshen and the police station is filled with them nightly. Police Justice Swezey has a plan which if followed will cause tramps to give Goshen a wide berth. The "Judge" suggests that residents of Goshen refuse to give food or other assistance to these vagabonds and that they will, if possible, furnish a description of all such persons, who apply for aid, to the police, who will arrest them. The "Judge" will do the rest.

—Tickets for the "Messiah" are on sale at Milspaugh's.

—The funeral of the late Fred Strack was held at 2 o'clock, this afternoon, under the direction of the Odd Fellows. The various organizations to which the deceased belonged attended in a body.

—Editor Tart, of the Montgomery *Reporter*, gave a banquet at the Commercial House last night, to the Democratic members of the Board of Supervisors, who gave him the "cat take" of the session laws, and a number of his friends.

A Port Jervis Pastor Resigns.

Rev. S. Washington, pastor of the Port Jervis Baptist Church, tendered his resignation, Sunday, and a congregational meeting will be held Wednesday to act upon it. Mr. Washington has been in Port Jervis for seven years and has won the affections not only of his own people, but of the whole community. No reason for his resignation is made public.

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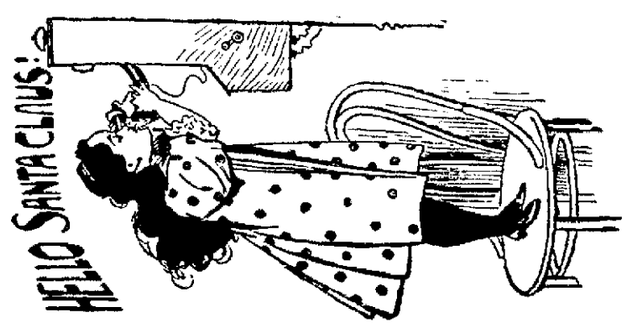

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The Workers Are Building Up a Small City of Their Own—Labor a Necessary Part of the Exercises.

They are making a communistic educational experiment near the little town of St. Anne, Ill., some 60 miles south of Chicago, that has already attracted a good deal of attention and is sure to be talked of the world over if anything like success is accomplished. This experiment is known as the People's university. St. Anne is far removed from the railroad in a region that is strictly rural and the university owns an entire section of land, 640 acres.

Upon this tract stands not only the university buildings, but also the homes, for the time being, of all the students and teachers. The land is cultivated cooperatively by all, the proceeds are sold for the benefit of all, the property of the community is kept in a common storehouse.

The community started with a capital of $4,500, invested in tools, machinery and live stock. The school has asked for no gifts, does not expect to secure any endowments, and will appeal neither to the charity nor the beneficence of the public in any way. The students and teachers who are on the ground are working with their own hands at the construction of the buildings, and are carrying on the agricultural work of the school, all of which is done without compensation.

Their labor is employed directly in producing the food, clothing, fuel and shelter necessary for their own comfortable existence. When this labor has provided these necessities, the balance of their time is devoted to study.

The educational workers are building up their own city, including houses, school and farm. The dwellings are cottages, 12x8 feet on the ground and a story and a half high, with first-class cedar roofs.

They have built five miles of fences; planted fruit trees and 500 grape vines; have set out an immense garden of about 10 acres, have fields containing 20,000 sweet potato plants, 21 acres of Irish potatoes, 80 acres of oats, 250 acres of corn, 40 acres of sorghum, 20 acres of millet and 20 acres of buckwheat, all of which are in very fine condition.

It is the unanimous verdict of the large number of visitors that no finer crop nor better farming is to be found anywhere than there.

The cottages are built in a sort of semi-circle, following a slight rise of ground which is everywhere overgrown with bluegrass. It would be difficult to find, or to produce, even with a considerable expenditure of money, a more beautiful location for the home than this little grove has furnished, ready made.

The form in which the buildings are constructed is that of a small village but there is no subdivision of land and no sale of lots. The school will hold, in its own name and for its own use, all land, houses, shops and implements of every kind. There is no way in which any person can secure a speculative or even legitimate business interest in any of the work of this school. There is no plan for admitting, for residence in this village, anyone who does not come solely for an educational purpose.

The school simply provides an opportunity for study for those who are willing, by their own toil, to take advantage of such opportunity; and the only return offered for labor is mental training. The man who does not want to study has no reason for going there, and will not be admitted, or if admitted by mistake, will not be permitted to return. All who are not willing to labor with their own hands at tasks necessary to comfortable existence are also excluded.

In fact, this unique community combines the elements of socialism and communism, and, it is to be hoped, without any of their evils. The aim of the students of the People's university is to sink individualism and accomplish the greatest good for all.

Here is the order of the day's work: The rising bell rings at 4 o'clock, breakfast is at 6, chapel at 6:30, and all hands attend this morning service in their working clothes. They go direct from this service to their work in the field. At a quarter to 12 the bell rings a field call to dinner. Dinner is at ten minutes past 12, and the classes begin at 1:30. At 5:30 the classroom work is over, supper is at 6.

From 6:30 to 8 the time is spent in rest and play, and from 8 to 9 in study after which the day is done and all retire. Sunday forenoon is one's own for reading and rest, and at 3 in the afternoon a service of public worship is held. The use of tobacco, intoxicants and opiates is not permitted within the university's precincts.

The work of building this community was undertaken by Walter Thomas Mills, who, as field secretary for the orgainzation, is entirely responsible for its management. The appointment of teachers, securing of students, direction of discipline, in fact, the complete management of the school in its industrial classroom work, is for the present in his hands. It is an old idea of his. Mr. Mills is known as a lecturer on temperance and other social and economical topics.

The wonderful growth of the corps of the little colony and the very satisfactory returns which the immediate future promises are held to justify the expectation that, in a very short time the fruits of its own toil will entirely provide for its support.—N. Y. Herald

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In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment, directing the sale of the premises hereinafter described, made in the above entitled action, bearing date the 4th day of December, one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-six, and duly entered in the Orange County Clerk's office, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named will sell at public auction, at the Russell House, a public hotel on James street, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, N. Y. on the 30th day of December, 1896 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, the premises described in said judgment as follows, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the city of Middletown, Orange county, and State of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 125 feet distant from the westerly line of Cottage street and on a course of north 60 degrees 38 minutes west from said point, which point is distant 250 9-10 feet from the north corner of Wisner avenue; and runs from thence on a course of north 29 degrees 22 minutes east 31 feet; thence north 60 degrees 38 minutes west 125 feet to the line of a proposed street to be called Groo street; thence along the line of said proposed street south 24 degrees and 22 minutes west 31 feet, thence south 60 degrees and 38 minutes east 125 feet to the place of beginning; together with the right of way to and from said premises, as stated in a deed from P. H. McShane and wife to Richard Sheerin, dated Oct. 9th, 1880, and recorded November 13th, 1890, in Orange County Clerk's office. Said lands above described being the land upon which is now built a new house about 30 feet by 60 feet, and being also the lands described in a deed from Richard Sheerin and wife to Ann Hoey, dated April 19th, 1892, and recorded in Orange County Clerk's office, in book of deeds 390 at page 184, April 19th 1892

Also all that tract or parcel of land situate in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York, and bounded and described as follows. Beginning at a set iron in the line of lands of John Redfield 50 feet northwest from the north corner of lot number 1 on James B. Bell's map made by W. W. Reeve and dated March 1885; and runs from the pre south 40 and ½ degrees west 185 feet parallel with and 50 feet from the northwest line of a street, thence north 49 and ½ degrees west 6 chains and 83 links to a stake in the wall; thence south 48½ degrees west 3 chains 80 links to the angle of two stone walls; thence along one of said walls and further north 41 degrees west 9 chains 81 links to the middle of the main ditch in the swamp, thence up the middle of said ditch north 70 degrees east 7 chains 30 links to a stake in the line of said Redfield's lands; thence along his land south 13½ degrees east 6 chains and 78 links to a stake; thence south 45 degrees east 6 chains and 71 links to the place of beginning, containing 7 22-100 acres of land, be the same more or less, excepting and reserving out and from the said described premises all those lots and pieces of land described in certain deeds from Patrick Ward and wife as follows One to one Mann, one to Charles J. Thayer, one to John F. Bradner, and one to S. S. Conkling as will more fully appear from the record of said deeds in the Clerk's office of Orange county, to which reference is here made for greater certainty, being the same premises described in a deed from Richard Sheerin and wife to Ann Hoey, dated April 19th, 1892, and recorded in Orange county records for deeds in book 390 of deeds at page 182, April 19th, 1892.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 7th, 1896.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, Referee.

M. J. DONOVAN, Plaintiff's Attorney, Rooms 11 and 12, Low Building, Middletown, N. Y.

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IN Pursuance of an order of Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, N. Y., on the 18th day of November, 1896, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against James E. Brazee, lately doing business in the city of Middletown, N. Y., that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, duly verified, to the subscriber, who has been duly appointed assignee of the said James E. Brazee for the benefit of creditors, at his office, Empire Block, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the sixth day of February, 1897.

A. VANNEST POWELSON, Assignee, Middletown, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Attorney for Assignee, Middletown, N. Y. dMo7tJan4

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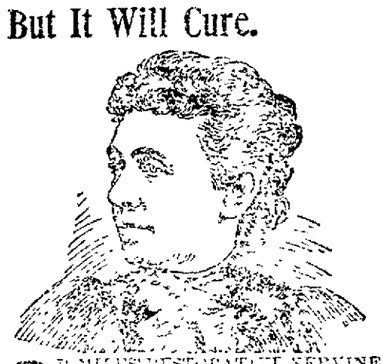

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STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

THE STORE CLOSET.

[illegible] Department of the Country Household.

[illegible]nishing of the storeroom is one of [illegible] old customs in danger of being obsolete. The less provident, [illegible]ss laborious, methods of French [illegible]keepers are fast superseding the [illegible] but toilsome and extravagant ways of the Anglo-Saxon. The grocer's store has become the storehouse of a great many families in the city, who are so limited in quarters that it would be impossible for them to maintain any large quantity of stores. The vast majority of people in the great cities buy their potatoes by the peck, and even by the small measure, or two quarts. It is only a householder who can provide a suitable and sufficient storage for a barrel of potatoes and one of apples. Other vegetables and fruit are usually purchased from day to day, as they are needed. Though a much higher price is paid when perishable vegetables and fruits are thus purchased in a small quantity, it should be remembered that there is also no waste from rot or mold. The old proverb, "Great abundance makes great waste," is certainly often verified where servants control the storeroom for food.

On the other hand, the saving in purchasing food by the quantity, where there is a proper place to keep it, is very large. It is often over 50 per cent. of the cost at retail, where the loss from decay or other cause may with care be easily reduced to a minimum. At the beginning of the season potatoes may be readily purchased at one dollar a barrel, or even less, that retail at ten or 15 cents a peck. Many similar instances may be given. Every one knows that a properly-stored barrel of potatoes will yield very little loss, sometimes none at all.

Dry groceries are usually almost as expensive by the quantity as by the small package, but there is comparatively no danger from loss in storing them if ordinary precautions are exercised. Flour stored in a dry, cool place will keep for several years. The same is now true of most grains. The wheat weevil is a pest that occasionally invades the dry grains of the store closet, but he can be readily got rid of if he has not been settled long. Indian meal, hominy and all preparations of Indian corn are liable to become infested with worms, and cannot be stored for any length of time. Even buckwheat meal finally becomes infested. Sugar costs about the same by barrel as by the pound, and it does not usually pay to store it. Nor does it pay to purchase a large quantity of molasses, unless one lives at a distance from any depot of grocery supplies. It does pay to buy green coffee by the bag, not only because it costs much less, but because the coffee improves in flavor if it is stored in a green state. The best "bonded" coffee of old times was thus stored for seven years in a government warehouse, whence its name of "Government Java." It is some trouble to brown and grind the bean at home, but coffee made thus from freshly-browned and ground beans is incomparable in flavor. Coffee loses aroma and flavor every instant after it has been subjected to these processes. When it is kept, as it often is after being browned and ground in a receptacle that is not air-tight, it becomes as flavorless as common beans, rye or any of the substitutes for it. Tea is considered cheaper purchased by the two-pound package, but it must be kept in a carefully-closed box, so as to exclude the air and light.

The utility of a storeroom depends largely in these days upon the locality where we live. If one's residence is remote from the town, and there is ample and suitable room for stores, it pays to buy a great many things by the quantity for the sake of convenience and to avoid the cost of transportation. If, on the contrary, one lives near the ubiquitous grocery store, there are a great many things which were always found in the old-time storeroom that is cheaper and quite as convenient to buy by the small quantity. Olive oil, dried fruits and even canned and preserved fruits are better purchased as they are wanted. Fortunately, few country housekeepers are so extravagant and wasteful as to purchase canned or preserved fruits when they can prepare them at home at so much lower cost.

It hardly pays dwellers in large cities to purchase and can or preserve fruit from the market supply. It is not strictly fresh, though it may be sound. It is much more costly than fruit freshly picked, and the risks of its spoiling is much greater.—N. Y. Tribune.

Shoulder of Lamb a la Parisienne.

Have the butcher bone the meat neatly. Prepare a stuffing of four ounces of bread crumbs, two ounces of raw veal, chopped fine, two tablespoonfuls of butter, melted, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, one teaspoonful of onion juice, one-half of a teaspoonful of salt and one-quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper. Mix all together and stuff the meat with it. Roast in a quick oven; into two tablespoonfuls of softened (not melted) butter, mix one tablespoonful each of chopped parsley, shallots, lemon juice and beef extract. Draw the meat when done from the oven, spread it with the prepared sauce and return to the oven just long enough to melt it. Garnish with small, round fried potatoes.—Albany Journal.

Quince Pudding.

Peel, slice and parboil. Then put them into some fresh water and stew like apples. Flavor with nutmeg or lemon, as one prefers, and let it cool. Make a cream sauce of one cupful of sugar, two eggs, one tablespoonful of flour, and one pint of new milk. Prepare and boil to the thickness of cream, then place a layer of quinces in a baking dish, then a layer of toasted bread crumbs, and pour over it the cream sauce. Bits of butter strewn in with the crumbs will make it richer and give it a better flavor. Make a meringue of the whites of two eggs beaten with two spoonfuls of sugar. Spread the frosting on top of the pudding. Put it in the oven and brown lightly.—Ladies' World.

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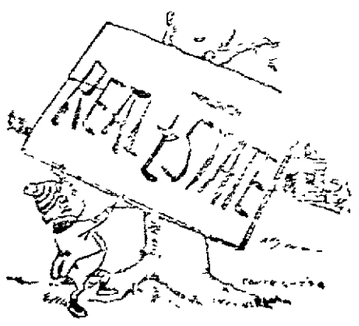

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the County Clerk of the County of Orange to be affixed, at the City of Goshen, in said County, this 2d day of November, 1896.

JOHN J. BEATTIE, County Judge of Orange county.

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Bacon—I have great confidence in that minister of ours.

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Mother Goose Up to Date.

There was an old woman who lived in a shoe.
She had so many children she didn't know what to do;
She moved to Chicago and leased a shoe there,
And now, with more children, she's still room to spare.

—N. Y. Truth.

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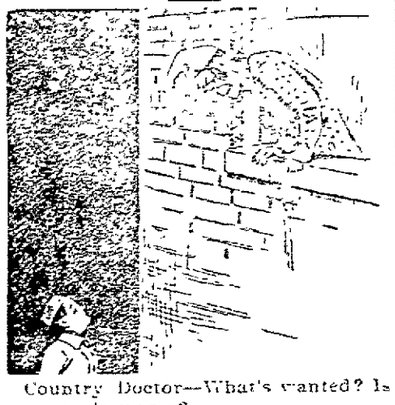

Country Doctor—What's wanted? Is your uncle worse?

Boy—He be dead.

Doctor—Then I have done all I could for him.—N. Y. Tribune.

Eclipse.

The newly wed see no one else,
As they spoon and spoon and spoon,
For the world is in eclipse, you know,
Behind a honeymoon.

—Detroit Tribune.

Its Redeeming Feature.

"Oh, the terrible pawnshops!" said Ethel to George, who had just rescued her watch; "what tales of misery those places could unfold had they tongues!"

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"The ticket."—Tit-Bits.

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Considerate.

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Too Merciful.

Manager—I'm afraid that this new conductor will not be a success.

Superintendent—Why?

Manager—He treats the passengers with to much consideration.—Brooklyn Life.

Comparisons.

Balderton—Your hair is like a stroke of lightning, old man—such an awful shock, you know.

Buzfuzz—And yours is like a fool and his money—soon parted.—London Answers.

He Knew His Business.

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"The last syllable is silent," stiffly replied the tradesman.—Tit-Bits.

Knew When He Had Enough.

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Mr. Bingo—I've dined there before.—Bay City Chat.

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Second Milliner—Oh, when I get them all trimmed I run them through a clothes wringer.—Detroit Tribune.

Was a Clear Case.

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Time Table in effect Sept. 13th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	14 Way Ft.	1 Mail & Exp	3 Ont'l Ltd Exp	5 Buffalo Exp	7 Pac. Exp Ltd
N. Y. Leave		A M		P M	P M
Franklin St		8 2	4 40	8 0	4 10
Wash'st		8 5	4 43	8 3	4 13
Weehawken		8 10	4 50	8 8	4 20
Cornwall		9 10	5 50	9 5	5 20
W. Cornw'l		9 20	6	9 15	5 30
Orr's Mills		9 25	6 5	9 20	5 35
Little Britain		9 30	6 10	9 25	5 40
Bornside		9 40	6 20	9 35	5 50
Campbell H.		9 45	6 25	9 40	5 55
Stony Ford		9 50	6 30	9 45	6 00
Chowan's		9 55	6 35	9 50	6 05
Main St.		10	6 40	9 55	6 10
Middletown ar		10 5	6 45	10 0	6 15
" lv		10 10	6 50	10 5	6 20
Wawayanda		10 25	7 5	10 20	6 35
Otisville		10 35	7 15	10 30	6 45
Middletown					
Main St.		6 45	8	4	6
Stony Ford		6 50	8 5	4 5	6 5
Campbell H.		6 55	8 10	4 10	6 10
Burnside		7	8 15	4 15	6 15
Little Britain		7 5	8 20	4 20	6 20
Orr's Mills		7 10	8 25	4 25	6 25
W. Cornwall		7 15	8 30	4 30	6 30
Cornwall	8 55	8	9 0	5	7
Weehawken	10 6	9 33	10 30	6 30	8 30
New York W. 42d St.	10 30	9 55	11 0	7 0	9 0
N. Y. Fkln St	10 45	10 0	11 15	7 15	9 15
	P M	A M	A M	P M	P M

STATIONS.	6 Newark Exp	12 Del. Lt Ex	14 Local	50 Day Exp	2
	P M	A M	A M	P M	
Oswego lv	12 35		2	4 45	
Oneida ar			12 12	10 16	
Oneida lv	2 11		1 6	10 53	
Oneida Castle		P M	1 15	8 53	
Norwich ar	3 24	7 56	2 15	10 37	
" lv	3 33	7 41	P M	10 42	
Sidney	4 20	8 45	3 17	11 40	
Sidney (South)		9 18	3 51	12 15	
Walton	5 0	12 15	9 58	12 58	
Hancock Jct	5 55	1 30	7	1 45	
Rockland		1 38	6 38	1 53	
Lyons Mills	6 37	1 50	6 51	2 6	
Parksville		2	6 56	2 15	
Liberty	6 48	2 15	6 30	2 31	
Liberty Falls		2 24	6 41	2 36	
Hurleyville		2 34	6 51	2 46	
Fallsburgh	7 06	2 49	6 57	2 51	
Centreville		2 50	7 04	3	
Mountain D.		2 56	7 10	3 06	
Summitville		3 15	7 26	3 25	
Wurtsboro		3 27	7 38	3 37	
Bloomingburgh		3 42	7 53	3 52	
Wintertown		3 50	7 48	4	
Mtown ar	8 00	4	8 01	4 15	
" lv	8 10	8 40	8 10	4 30	
Mtown					
Main St.		6 48	8	4	
Stony Ford		6 53	8 5	4 5	
Campbell H.		7	8 11	4 12	
Burnside		7 7	8 18	4 19	
Little Britain		7 19	8 30	4 31	
Orr's Mills		7 25	8 36	4 37	
W. Cornwall		7 30	8 41	4 42	
Cornwall	8 58	8	9 0	5	
Weehawken	10	9 33	10 30	6 30	
New York W. 42d St.	10 30	9 55	11 0	7 0	
N. Y. Fkln St	10 45	10 0	11 15	7 15	
	P M	A M	A M	P M	

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

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NORTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
New York	8 30	.....	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hacket sack	9 11	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 29	.....	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 18	6 47
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	Sun ex a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	4 45
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 25
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 48	5 42
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	.....
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10
Paterson	9 03	.....	7 30
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 33
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 48
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 13
New York	9 53	11 23	8 23

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Eastern Time.	U.S. Spec'l. 601	Spec'l. 617	8	7	29	25	15	27	33	38	5	11	9	1	21	17	12	10	26	16	28	36	6	30	2	8	22	14	S. Spec'l. 606	Sun 18
Leave	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Arrive NEW YORK	6 57	7 30	8 54	7 30	6 30	5 30	4 30	3 30	2 30	1 30	12 30	11 30	10 30	9 30	8 30	7 30	6 30	5 30	4 30	3 30	2 30	1 30	12 30	11 30	10 30	9 30	8 30	7 30	4 30	4 30
Paterson	6 15	8 28	9 11	8 15	7 15	6 08	5 12	4 10	3 10	2 03	1 13	12 30	11 30	10 30	9 30	8 30	7 30	6 08	5 02	4 10	3 10	2 03	1 13	12 30	11 30	10 30	9 30	8 30	5 30	5 30
Turners	5 16	9 50	9 50	9 00	7 30	6 48	5 52	4 46	3 48	2 38	1 53	1 00	12 00	11 00	10 00	9 00	8 00	6 48	5 42	4 46	3 48	2 38	1 53	1 00	12 00	11 00	10 00	9 00	6 00	6 00
Monroe	6 38	10 13	10 13	9 23	7 53	7 11	6 15	5 09	4 11	3 01	2 16	1 23	12 23	11 23	10 23	9 23	8 23	7 11	6 05	5 09	4 11	3 01	2 16	1 23	12 23	11 23	10 23	9 23	6 23	6 23
Greycourt	6 58	10 32	10 32	9 42	8 12	7 30	6 34	5 28	4 30	3 20	2 35	1 42	12 42	11 42	10 42	9 42	8 42	7 30	6 24	5 28	4 30	3 20	2 35	1 42	12 42	11 42	10 42	9 42	6 42	6 42
Chester	7 27	10 58	10 58	10 08	8 38	7 56	7 00	5 54	4 56	3 46	3 01	2 08	1 08	12 08	11 08	10 08	9 08	7 56	6 50	5 54	4 56	3 46	3 01	2 08	1 08	12 08	11 08	10 08	7 08	7 08
Goshen	7 39	11 13	11 13	10 23	8 53	8 11	7 15	6 09	5 11	4 01	3 16	2 23	1 23	12 23	11 23	10 23	9 23	8 11	7 05	6 09	5 11	4 01	3 16	2 23	1 23	12 23	11 23	10 23	7 23	7 23
Middletown	7 50	11 24	11 24	10 34	9 04	8 22	7 26	6 20	5 22	4 12	3 27	2 34	1 34	12 34	11 34	10 34	9 34	8 22	7 16	6 20	5 22	4 12	3 27	2 34	1 34	12 34	11 34	10 34	7 34	7 34
Howells	8 08	11 41	11 41	10 51	9 21	8 39	7 43	6 37	5 39	4 29	3 44	2 51	1 51	12 51	11 51	10 51	9 51	8 39	7 33	6 37	5 39	4 29	3 44	2 51	1 51	12 51	11 51	10 51	7 51	7 51
Otisville	8 08	12 05	12 05	11 15	9 45	9 03	8 07	7 01	6 03	4 53	4 08	3 15	2 15	1 15	12 15	11 15	10 15	9 03	7 57	7 01	6 03	4 53	4 08	3 15	2 15	1 15	12 15	11 15	8 15	8 15
Port Jervis	8 10	12 20	12 20	11 30	10 00	9 18	8 22	7 16	6 18	5 08	4 23	3 30	2 30	1 30	12 30	11 30	10 30	9 18	8 12	7 16	6 18	5 08	4 23	3 30	2 30	1 30	12 30	11 30	8 30	8 30
Lv. East Time. Ar.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Lv. CHICAGO.	7 45	11 10	11 10	10 20	8 50	8 08	7 12	6 06	5 08	3 58	3 13	2 20	1 20	12 20	11 20	10 20	9 20	8 08	7 02	6 06	5 08	3 58	3 13	2 20	1 20	12 20	11 20	10 20	7 20	7 20
Ar. Cent. Time.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

THE ANNUAL SESSION OF ORANGE COUNTY'S SUPERVISORS.

The County Road Project Discussed By Citizens—Farmers Practically a Unit in Opposing Mr. Ketcham's Resolution—Middletown, Newburgh and Goshen in Favor of It—The Matter Laid Over Without Action.

Blooming Grove	Joseph E. Board
Chester	G. W. Fredericks
Cornwall	CHARLES KETCHAM
Crawford	SAM'L. D. ROBERSON
Deerpark	Thomas J. Quick
Goshen	J. E. Wells
Greenville	SAMUEL V. JONES
Hamptonburgh	Chas. B. Howell
Highlands	Louis F. Goodsell
Middletown—	
First Ward	James E. Brazee
Second Ward	Chas. J. Boyd
Third Ward	John S. Iseman
Fourth Ward	Nelson W. Wood
Minisink	RICHARDS. TUTHILL
Monroe	Joseph Rake
Montgomery	I. H. Loughran
Mount Hope	Chas. W. Loomis
Newburgh City—	
First Ward	John M. Wilson
Second Ward	Henry B. Lawson
Third Ward	Geo. Mosher
Fourth Ward	Hugh McKissock
Fifth Ward	Jonathan Taylor
Sixth Ward	J. J. E. Harrison
Newburgh Town	Wm. H. Post
New Windsor	GEO. DERENHAM
Tuxedo	Mahlon J. Brooks
Wallkill	H. D. Thompson
Warwick	IRA S. SMITH
Wawayanda	JOHN I. BRADLEY
Woodbury	John A. Patterson

GOSHEN 14th, '96.—Mr. Ketcham's resolution establishing the county road system was up for discussion, this afternoon, and there were about seventy residents of the county in attendance to listen to and express opinions on the subject. The resolution provided for the appropriation of $5,000 for the improvement of roads between Newburgh and Middletown and Newburgh and Tuxedo.

This matter was made a special order for 1:30 o'clock and the discussion began promptly on time. The rules were suspended and the ball was started by William Bull, of the town of Wallkill. He said he felt a diffidence in speaking before such a respectable body as this Board, but he wanted to say, just by way of a starter, that most of the farmers with whom he had spoken were opposed to it.

MR. ROYCE'S PLEA FOR BETTER ROADS.

Then William B. Royce, of Middletown, who is prominently identified with the Orange County Road Improvement Association, spoke at some length in favor of the measure. He said in part:

Having once been a member of this body, for more than nine years, I read with considerable pleasure and no little interest the accounts of the proceedings of the Board, as published in the county papers. A short time ago I noticed Mr. Ketcham's resolution introduced for the improvement of the roads of the county. I believed this to be a step in the right direction. Mr. Ketcham was a member of this Board when I had a seat among you. I became personally well acquainted with him, observed his career closely and am satisfied that when he introduces a bill of so much importance as this he does it only after careful and long consideration and after consultation with men who know as much if not more about such matter as he does himself.

I have for the past four or five years thought much of this matter. Orange county is in the fore-front of progress in many matters, but is lamentably behind hand in the matter of good roads. I have been a resident of Orange county for more than thirty years and came from the mountainous districts of Sullivan, which county, though often sneered at, is, I must confess, far ahead of old Orange in the matter of good roads. Take for instance, Mr. Bull's own town of Wallkill, which in the course of business I have travelled over for many years, there are to-day stones and lumps which in driving along one must bump over and over and these are the same stones which we have been bumping over for more than thirty years past, and which we shall continue to bump over for years to come unless there is a change in the manner of working the roads.

This matter of the improvement of roads is a serious one. It is one which the Legislature of the State has given very serious attention. The Legislature has told you to improve your roads and has offered you the privilege of doing it in the way suggested by this resolution. It tells you not to improve the great highways to travel, but I can hear some of you say "Oh, but it don't do us any good." This is a mistake. It does do you good. It brings additional travel, brings new citizens of the county and increases the value of your property. If the matter of the improvement of our roads is entrusted to a good competent engineer I am free to say that the results will make those opposed to it now the most enthusiastic in favor of it after the improvements have been made.

There is always great opposition to any great public improvement, but in this matter, gentlemen, we should come here not as citizens of Wallkill, not as citizens of Hamptonburgh, or of Goshen, or Newburgh or of any town, but as citizens of Orange county to do what will prove for the greatest good of the entire county.

ROADS WERE BETTER THIRTY YEARS AGO.

I say without fear of successful contradiction that the roads of to-day are not as good as the roads of thirty years ago. I have been pathmaster myself and have seated myself on the fence and chewed my toothpick and have called everything a day's work just as all of you have done, whether it was done on the top of the fence or on the roads. One of the great troubles with the present system of working our roads is that there is nothing uniform about it. In driving, say from Newburgh to Goshen, we will go into one district and find a good road and then we will come to another and find it very poor and so on until the end of our journey has led us through more varieties of roads than one would believe it possible to find in a day's travel. If we adopt the new system it will not, eventually, cost any more than the present system and we will have first-class and uniform roads. I believe this to be a move in the right direction. There is nothing so vital to the interests of any community as the interest that community takes in having good schools and good roads.

Mr. Royce then cited the condition of roads in foreign countries where they are under governmental control, and spoke of the condition of the roads in Tuxedo and other places where they had been properly worked and mentioned how great the advantage to those communities was.

He then gave way to Mr. Smith, of Tuxedo. Mr. Smith stated that he was the roadmaster of the town of Tuxedo. That town had recently bonded itself to pay $5,000 for the improvement of its roads. He asked that Tuxedo be left to take of its own roads and guaranteed that it would keep them in as good condition as the county roads.

NOT WANTED BY FARMERS.

Then came Hon. Nathaniel Howell, of Washingtonville. Mr. Howell has been a member of the State Legislature and he spoke at some length against the measure.

He said if Mr. Royce's statements were all true he must confess to a lamentable ignorance of the matter under discussion. He said that thirty years ago the roads were not as good as they are to-day. Orange county, he claimed was not going backward, but was moving forward. This bill, he continued, proposes the expenditure of a certain sum of money in a certain way, over certain roads for the commercial and social improvement of the community. How, he asks, will you benefit the small taxpayers by adding taxes to their already large assessment. If you wish to improve the highways you must educate the people to do it themselves. You can not do it successfully by legislation. If this bill passes, it will not pass in the interest of the agricultural interests of Orange county and Orange county is certainly an agricultural community. If we are going to improve our roads, let us begin at our own dooryards, and each one improve his own first.

A NEWBURGH WHEELMAN SPEAKS.

Then Max Samuels, representing the Newburgh wheelmen, 1,100 strong, secured the floor, and said he believed it was about time the wheelmen asserted themselves. He stated that the League of American Wheelmen was 22,000 strong, and that they were organized for the purpose of promoting wheeling, and also for the purpose of promoting good roads. The law, he said, gives us the right to use these roads, and why shouldn't we have the best to be had? He claimed that good roads would be a great benefit to the farmer, and cited statistics five minutes long in proof of the assertion. His statistics, as compiled by a learned bicyclist, demonstrated that good roads improved farms to the extent of $6.48 per acre.

SPOKE FOR GOSHEN FARMERS.

Charles Reeve, a farmer of Goshen, said he voiced the sentiment of Goshen, and he was opposed to this bill. His plea was against adding to the burdens of taxation, and he said if the wheelmen wanted good roads let them pay for them.

Mr. Reeve spoke at some length, and then Mr. Thompson, of Wallkill, moved that speeches be limited to five minutes. This was carried.

IN FAVOR OF THE SCHEME.

Then Mr. Hock, President of the village of Goshen, arose and said that it was unfair to give Mr. Reeve a half-hour to make assertions, and then limit a man to five minutes to correct them. He stated that Mr. Reeve's sentiments were not the sentiments of the village of Goshen. He was sorry, he said, to see his neighbor so selfish. He (the neighbor) believed that if General Washington felt like going barefooted, the whole American army should go barefooted. That was not the proper sentiment, and was not the sentiment to govern people in deciding this question. Let us by all means have good roads, he continued. If you do not see fit to bring them through Goshen this year, then do your work on the roads of some other community; but at any rate let us get a start in the direction of good roads. Then Mr. Hock spoke of the benefits of good roads to persons of all classes. He spoke of the attraction they were to summer boarders, and to persons looking for places of residence outside the city of New York.

WANT GOOD ROADS BUT NOT THIS WAY.

Mr. Clark, of Hamptonburgh, spoke next, saying that he was a farmer and that he was opposed to this bill. "It is a mistake to believe that we as farmers are opposed to good roads. We want the best of roads, but we are opposed to this bill because we do not believe it will give us the best of roads for our purposes."

This is opening the door, he continued to one of the biggest schemes that ever came before this body. Five thousand dollars is but a patch to the amount necessary to maintain the county system of roads in Orange county. By passing this bill, gentlemen, you are adopting one of the surest ways of changing the political complexion of this body.

Then Emmet V. R. Gardner, of Minisink, gave his ideas as to the best methods of road improvements.

Mr. Bull then got the floor again and said he was not opposed to good roads, but that he believed this to be a bad time to introduce this measure.

R. C. Sears, of Blooming Grove, said it took seven horses on poor roads to do the work of one horse on good roads. He then said the farmer could not afford the expense of poor roads.

FAVORED THE STATE ROAD SYSTEM.

Hon. W. P. Richardson, of Goshen, was opposed to the county system of working roads. He believed in the State system and thought the coming Legislature would do something toward the improvement of our road system and believed the time was not ripe now for action on this measure. He gave some interesting information regarding the passage of the county road measure which took place when he was member of the State Senate.

J. Owen Moore was very proud of the condition of the roads in the town of Blooming Grove and told the Board how they did it in his town.

Then Mr. Royce was again given the privilege of the floor and said that an entering wedge must be made and asked that Orange county be allowed to take the initiative.

Then Mr. Howell, of Blooming Grove, gave his opinion of this by quoting Lord Pitts' famous rhyme used in the House of Lords in England in opposition to a measure which he antagonized. Here it is:

"Me thinks I hear the lion in the lobby roar,
Shall we rise and shut the door?
Or shall we let the raging monster in;
Then try to put him out again."

This closed the discussion and Mr. Roberson moved that the whole matter be laid over until Tuesday morning.

If I was asked to guess on the result I would say that the present bill will be defeated.

GREENVILLE.

The Poverty Sociable—Personal Mention—Selling Milk in Port Jervis.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The poverty sociable held at Henry Simpson's was largely attended and those who viewed the parade could not think times were getting better. The entertainment was good considering the time they had to prepare it. The proceeds at the table were $33.

—Mrs. Will Hunt, of New York, is visiting her parents near this place.

—James Alward and son, of Deckertown, spent Sunday with his mother.

—Miss Julia Wood, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wood, returned to her home in New York, Wednesday night.

—Several of the farmers from here are taking their milk to Port Jervis, owing to the low prices paid for milk around here.

A Dishonest Watchmaker Jailed.

George Schmidt, a watchmaker, who, within the past year has been located in Milford, Matamoras and Stroudsburg, Pa., and in Newton and Branchville, N. J., was arrested in Port Jervis, Saturday, charged with stealing watches entrusted to him for repair by Milford people. It is also said that he removed valuable works from watches and replaced them by inferior movements. He was locked up in the Milford jail.

Where Wild Cats Abound.

W. Ferguson and F. Stanton, while hunting on the mountain east of Long Eddy, a few days ago, saw four catamounts, but did not get close enough to get a shot at them.

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TO Rent from April 1st—My farm near Stony Ford, 102 acres, good buildings, keeps 20 cows and team. Address T. A. MAPES, w15.18.22 436 West End Ave., New York city.

J. W. MILLER, Auctioneer, will sell at public auction for the undersigned, at his farm, known as the John Borland farm, at Mount Hope, on road leading to White Bridge, on Wednesday, Dec. 23d, at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp, all his live stock, farming utensils, etc. See large bills. w15,18 P. W. MOORE.

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